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SUBJECT: UNIDO - GROUP B MEETING

REF: A. VIENNA 8767 B. VIENNA 9317

SUMMARY: GROUP B MET NOV. 13 WITH JAPAN (MURAOKA) IN CHAIR.
GROUP CONTINUED REVIEW OF PREPARATIONS FOR PC-II AND AD HOC
COMMITTEE SECOND SESSION. SCHEDULED NEXT MEETING NOV. 27.
END SUMMARY

1. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON LONG-RANGE STRATEGY.

A. ON SECRETARIAT DOCUMENTATION FOR AD HOC COMMITTEE
SECOND SESSION CHAIR CALLED ATTENTION TO ISSUANCE FEW HOURS
EARLIER OF NOTE BY EX DIRECTOR AS CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER NO. 18.
(NOTE AIRPOUCHED IO/CMD REPLACES EARLIER DRAFT REFERRED TO IN
VIENNA 8620). FURTHER TO PROBLEM OF SOVIET INSISTENCE THAT
SUMMARY OF ALL PROPOSALS RE EXPERTS' RECOMMENDATIONS ADVANCED
BY MEMBER GOVERNMENTS BE PREPARED (REFTEL A PARA 1B) AD HOC
COMMITTEE RAPPORTEUR (KURTH-FRG) NOTED THAT SOVIET MISSION HAS
ASKED FOR INSERTION OF 6 TO 8 PAGES OF ADDITIONAL MATERIAL
INTO PART A OF REPORT OF AD HOC COMMITTEE'S FIRST SESSION BASED
ON SOVIET AND HUNGARIAN SUBMISSIONS CONTAINED CONFERENCE ROOM
PAPERS 7 AND 8. SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS INSISTENCE BY SOVIETS

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NOT CLEAR. IN THIS CONNECTION CHAIRMAN OF AD HOC COMMITTEE

REPORTEDLY ENVISAGES FINAL REPORT TO IDB AS CONSISTING ONLY OF CONCLUSIONS.

B. ON ORGANIZATION OF AD HOC COMMITTEE'S WORK RAPPORTEUR RECALLED PROCEDURE SUGGESTED BY CHAIRMAN (REFTEL A PARA 1C) AND NOTED CHAIRMAN WISHED RECEIVE INDICATION OF GROUP B REACTION THERETO AT LATEST DURING PC-III. BRIEF DISCUSSION OF IMPLICATIONS FOR TREATMENT BY AD HOC COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS' RECOMMENDATION VI OF GA SECOND COMMITTEE DECISION CONERNING UNIDO PROGRAM/ BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTONOMY WAS INCONCLUSIVE WITH SOME FEELING THAT CERTAIN AD HOC COMMITTEE MEMBERS MIGHT ATTEMPT INFLUENCE SYG'S REPORT AND OTHER FELLING THAT GA REQUEST FOR SYG REPORT WOULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR FENDING OFF SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF RECOMMENDATION VI. IN THIS CONNECTION FRG AGAIN CALLED FOR ACTIVE RE-EXAMINATION BY GROUP B OF STANCE IT MIGHT TAKE ON UNIDO INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS IN ORDER NOT SIMPLY TO REACT DEFENSIVELY TO LDC PROPOSALS.

C. ON PARTICIPATION OF OTHER AGENCIES IN DECEMBER SESSION ONLY NEW DEVELOPMENT WAS UNDP AGREEMENT TO BE REPRESENTED BY SIDNEY DELL. RAPPORTERU WAS REQUESTED TO DISCUSS WITH SECRETARIAT WHAT ADDITIONAL STEPS MIGHT BE TAKEN TO INDUCE ATTENDANCE BY ILO AND FAO.

2. PREMAMNENT COMMITTEE THIRD SESSION.

A. AGENDA ITEM 6. DISCUSSION OF TREATMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT SURVEY DID NOT GET MUCH BEYOND THAT REPORTED REFTEL. SOME EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON DISIRABILITY OF TREATING SUBSTANCE OF IDS IN IDB ANNUAL GENERAL DEBATE BUT GENERAL FEELING WOULD BE BETTER NOT TO PUSH THIS LINE.

B. AGENDA ITEM 5. GENERAL FEELING THAT CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF UN ACTIVITIIES IN FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT WAS OF LITTLE USE TO DELEGATIONS AND SHOULD NOT BE REVIVED AS OFFICIAL PAPER. IMPHASIS WAS ON NEED TO GET GOOD ANALYTICAL REPORT ON COORDINATION PROBLEMS FROM SECRETARIAT. WHAT KIND OF INFORMATION GATHERING BY SECRETARIAT ON ACTIVITIES BY OTHER UN AGENCIES WAS REQUIRED TO UNDERPIN ANALYTICAL REPORT AND OTHER UNIDO COORDINATION ACTIVITIES WAS QUESTION WHICH STILL NEEDED CLARIFICATION

C. AGENDA ITEM 7. GROUP AGREED SENSIBLE ACTION WAS FOR PC-III TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT ID/B/C.3/13.

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3. SECOND GENERAL CONFERENCE (AGENDA ITEM 4-PC-III).
BRIEF DISCUSSION OF QUESTION OF UNIDO-II DOCUMENTATION IN LIGHT OF MEETING WITH SECRETARIAT REPORTED REF B. UK EXPRESSED UNHAPPINESS WITH PROSPECT OF BEING HANDED POSSIBLY TENDENTIOUS "ISSUE PAPERS" WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT WAS CONTAINED IN UNDERLYING BACKGROUND PAPERS BEING COMMISSIONED BY SECRETARIAT AND SUGGESTED NEED FOR "PROPER STUDIES", SIMULTANEOUSLY REDUCING NUMBER OF SUBJECT AREAS TO BE COVERED IN ORDER AVOID DUPLICATING

WORK OF OTHER UN AGENCIES. FRG ALSO FELT DOCUMENTATION SHOULD NOT GET INTO AREAS DEALT WITH BY OTHER AGENCIES. WE INDICATED WASHINGTON STILL CONSIDERING US VIEWS ON DOCUMENTATION BUT SUGGESTED THAT SECRETARIAT APPROACH OF PRODUCING RELATIVELY BRIEF THEMATIC PAPERS HAD MERIT FROM VARIOUS POINTS OF VIEW. GENERAL FEELING THAT IN ANY CASE BACKGROUND PAPERS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN SECRETARIAT FOR EXAMINATION BY DELEGATIONS AS DESIRED AND THAT SECRETARIAT SHOULD BE ASKED TO MAKE AVAILABLE LIST OF COMMISSIONED BACKGROUND PAPERS TO PC-III. ALSO GENERAL VIEW THAT NO DECISION BY PC-III ON INTERSESSIONAL MACHINERY NECESSARY AND SHOULD BE HELD OFF TO PC-IV/IDB-VIII WHEN SOME ISSUE PAPERS MIGHT BE AVAILABLE IN DRAFT.

4. NEXT GROUP B MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 27 WITH UK IN CHAIR. UK ALSO ASKED TO CHAIR GROUP B DURING PC-III AND AD HOC COMMITTEE. STRIBRAVY

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